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Congo: Hammarskjold is increasingly worried over the possibility of incidents in connection with the arrival of the Indian UN contingent, whose first units are to fly into Leopoldville on 16 March. He told American officials on 13 March that it was of great political importance that the Indian operation be carried out, in view of the heavy prestige commitment of Nehru and the Indian military. [redacted]

[redacted] he also recognizes that the Congolese hostility toward the UN results from the Congolese belief that the 21 February Security Council resolution authorizes the disarmament of the Congolese army and the imposition of UN trusteeship. He apparently feels that this attitude, reinforced by the anti-Asian feelings connected with Dayal, might focus on the Indian troops. Hammarskjold also believes, although he admits he has no specific evidence, that the recent military incidents in the Congo and the outcome of the Tananarive conference resulted from a Belgian-inspired plan to build up a political and military basis of resistance to the UN. [redacted] *no*

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